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Amendments to the Drawings

Please substitute Figure 5 with the attached amended Figure 5.

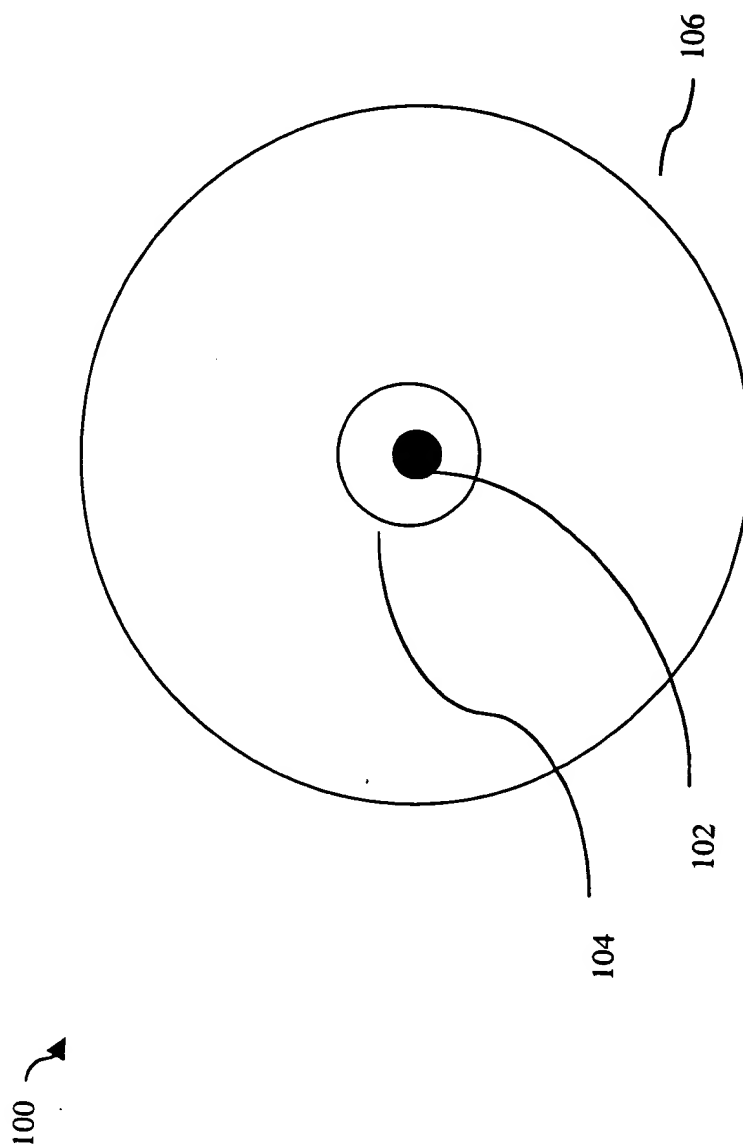


FIG. 1  
Prior Art Optical Fiber

FIBER OPTICAL PIGTAIL GEOMETRY FOR IMPROVED  
EXTINCTION RATIO OF POLARIZATION MAINTAINING  
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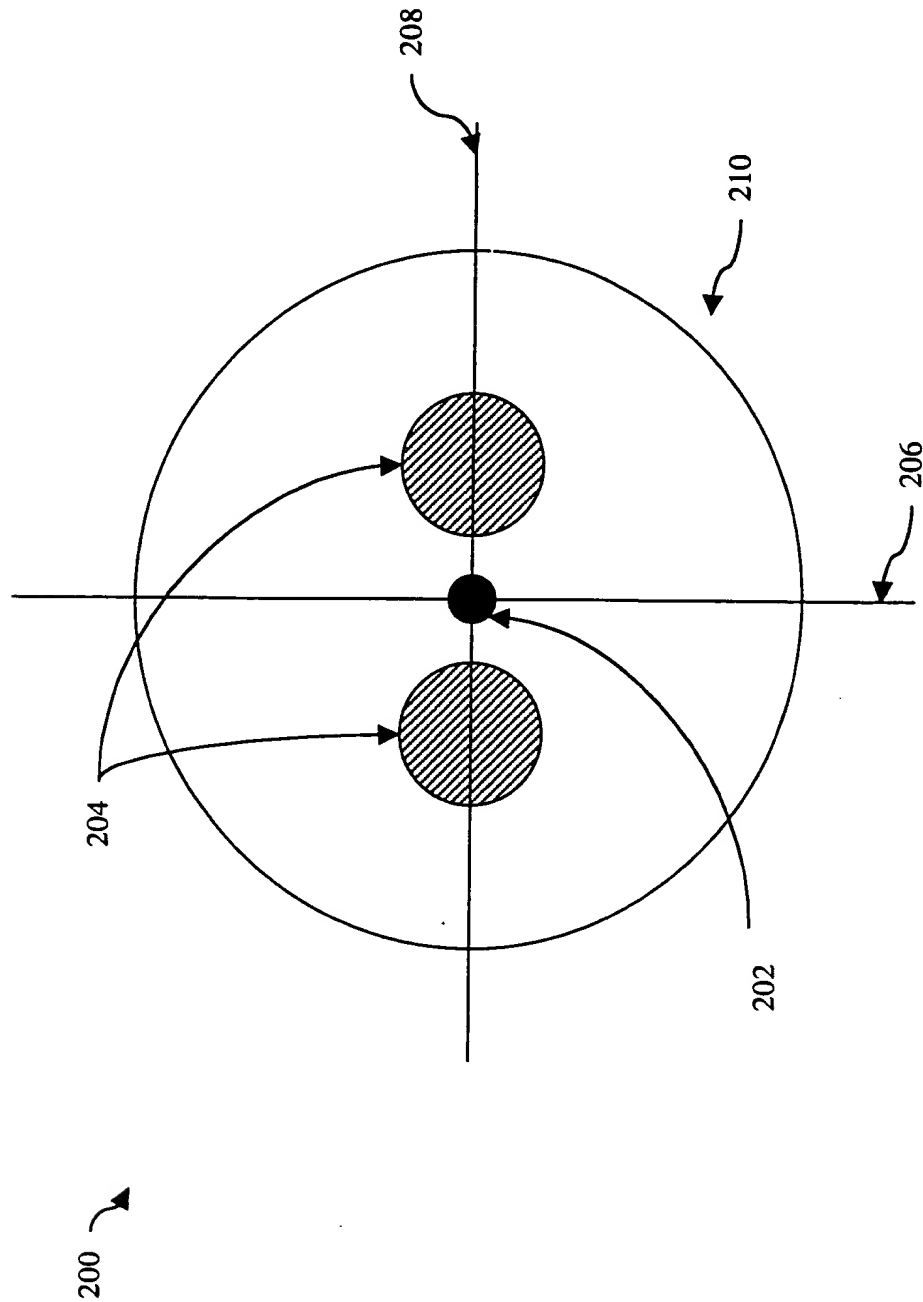


FIG. 2  
Prior Art PM Fiber

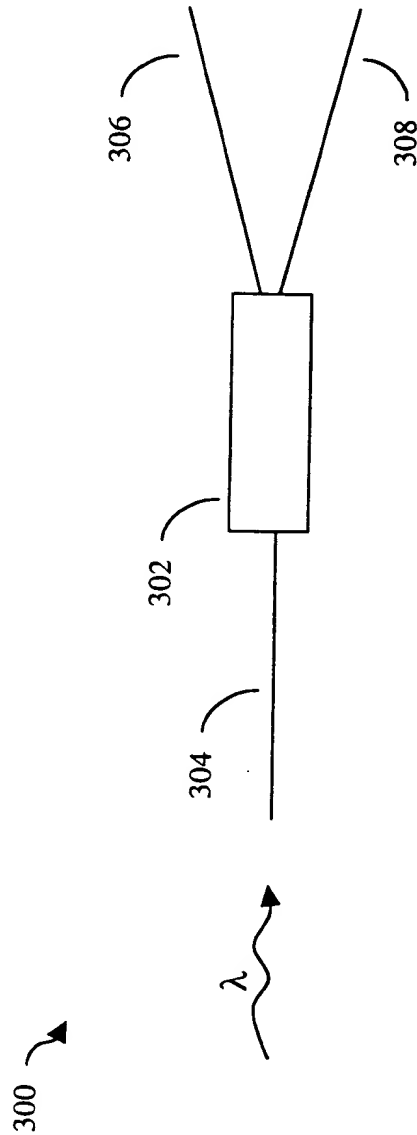


FIG. 3

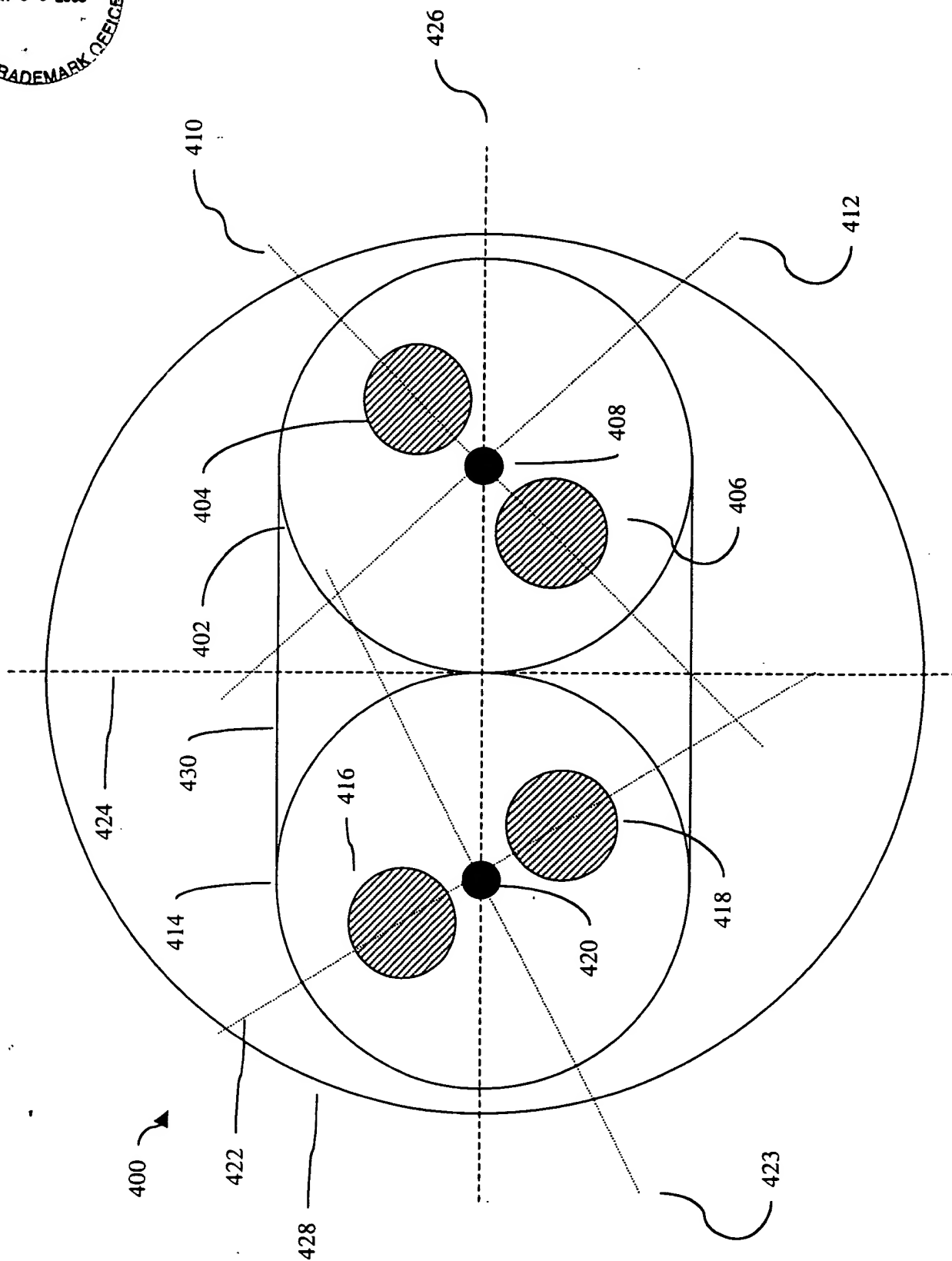


FIG. 4

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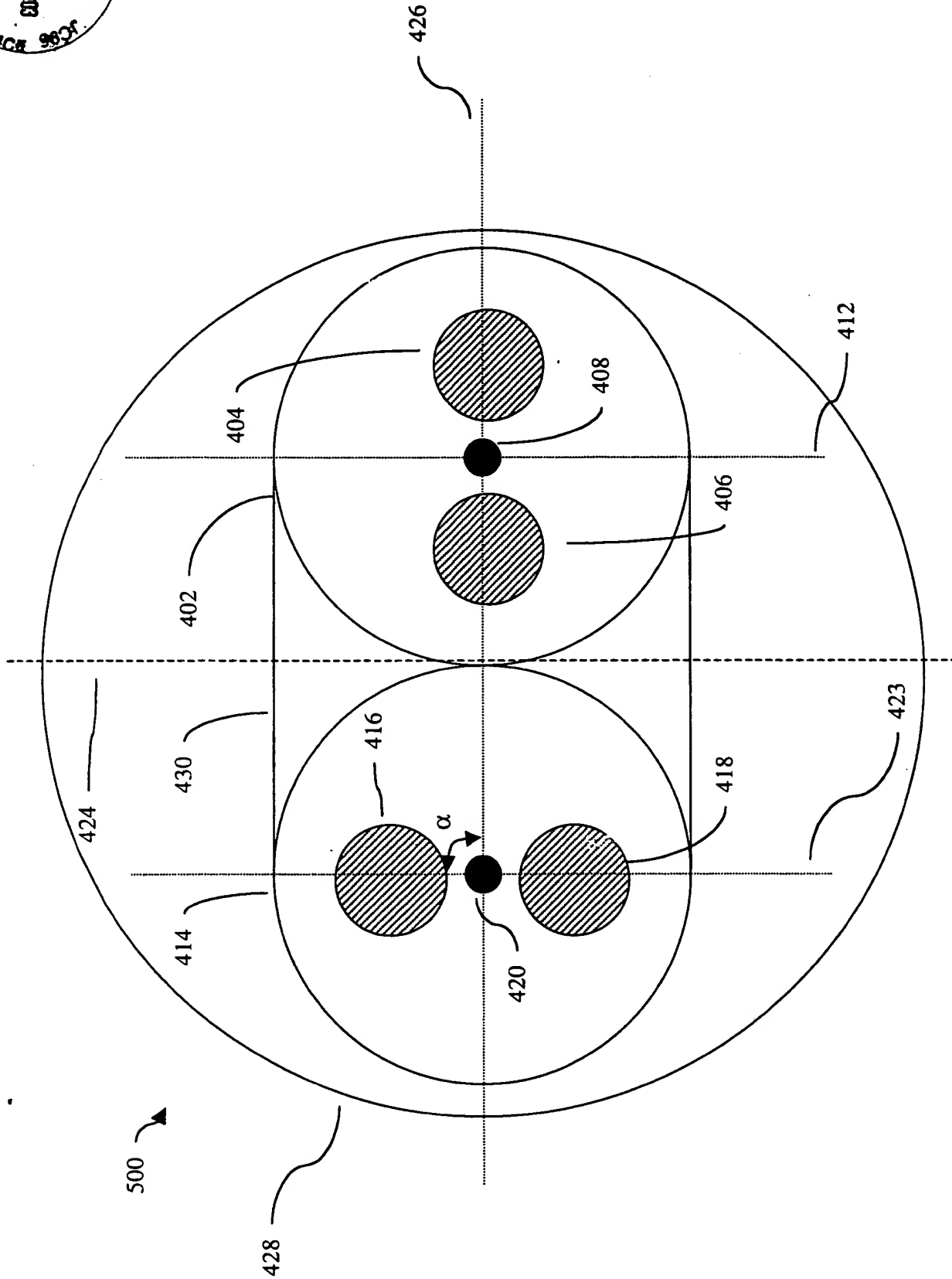


FIG. 5

Present Invention